


Application No. 10/004,044  
Docket No. F-249

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-14 are pending in the application. In the Office Action mailed on September 4, 2003, the Examiner required election under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to one of the groups of claims consisting of 1-11 or 12-14. .

In response to this restriction, Applicants elect to prosecute the Group I claims, consisting of claims 1-11, without prejudice to pursuing the non-elected claims in a separate application

Respectfully submitted,

  
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